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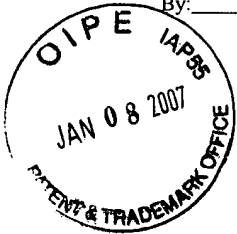
Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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PATENT  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

LALEH SHAYESTEH et al.

Application No.: 08/905,508

Filed: August 4, 1997

For: GENETIC ALTERATIONS  
ASSOCIATED WITH CANCER

Customer No.: 20350

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks. Enclosed herewith is a petition with fee authorization for a three month extension of time.

**A Listing of the Claims** is provided on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.